HAYT FARMSTEAD, BARN Route 311 Patterson Putnam County New York

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Location:

Route 311, Patterson, Putnam County, New York

Significance:

As the principal agricultural structure on the Hayt Farmstead, this barn with attached stable contributes to the importance of the property.

Description:

The barn is a gambrel-roofed structure on a stone foundation, with sawed and pegged braced timber frame and vertical plank exterior. It is oriented on a north-south axis, with high sliding doors on the west side. The original portion (at the south end) has a center aisle with bays, open to the roof, to either side. The south bay has a partial partition of vertical planking, and from this area a flight of wooden steps leads down to a partial basement area in the southeast corner. basement area has an entry on the east side and a row of milking stanchions. There is also an Lstone-walled room below the southwest corner of the barn, with an entrance in the south wall of the foundation. This room may have once been used for cool storage of milk.

At the southeast corner of the barn, and physically attached to it, is a small braced-frame gable-roofed stable finished on exterior and interior with vertical planking. In the southwest corner of this stable are two large stalls with floor timbers set approximately one inch apart for drainage, and feed troughs at the south end. A large wooden grain bin was formerly located in a room at the southeast corner of the stable.

The original three-bay barn was subsequently expanded to the north through construction of an additional gambrel-roofed bay, which contains a partial concrete floor and stairs to the upper level. On the north end of this bay is a lean-to addition which appears to have been used as a maintenance shop.

History:

Portions of this barn were probably constructed under the original ownership of James R. Hayt, with subsequent additions and alterations reflecting the continued agricultural activities on the estate throughout the 19th and into the 20th century.

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Sources

See Narrative Overview.

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